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HIGHLIGHTS

New Mexico's economy chalked up another good month during April according to preliminary labor force and industry employment estimates. The state's unemployment rate fell from 8.1 to 7.4 percent in April, which continued the improving trend in unemployment shown since early 1983. The estimates indicated that 46,000 New Mexicans were looking for work during the month. This was 3.800 fewer than in March and 18,300 less than one year ago. U.S. unemployment also has improved significantly during the last twelve months. The nation's jobless rate (not seasonally adjusted) this April was 7.6 percent, down from 8.1 percent in March and 10.0 percent in April 1983.

Approximately 3.500 jobs were added to New Mexico's nonfarm payroll employment during April; and the bulk of the gain was in the construction, trade, and services industries. The increases in trade and services were fairly normal springtime expansions; however, the addition of 1,300 construction jobs was stronger than the usual pattern.

New Mexico's employment situation has improved significantly during the first four months of 1984. The improvement was broad-based, and all major industries participated in the employment expansion. Especially noteworthy were the performances of the construction industry, electronic equipment manufacturing, and oil & gas extraction. Construction employment gains reported this spring have been considerably stronger than the usual warm weather buildup. Electronic manufacturing, largely centered in the Albuquerque area, added 300 new jobs during the first four months of this year, and oil & gas extraction also posted 300 additional jobs over the period. The oil & gas increase is especially encouraging because of the severe job losses suffered by this important industry in the last recession. Almost 5,000 jobs were lost in New Mexico's petroleum industry between 1981 and 1983.

APRIL SUMMARY 1/

	Prel. Apr. 1984	Revised Mar. 1984	Revised Apr. 1983	Change From Mar. 1984	Change From Apr. 1983
Civilian Labor Force	617,900	612,300	601,600	+5,600	+16,300
Employment	571,900	562,500	537,300	+9,400	+34,600
Unemployment	46,000	49,800	64,300	-3,800	-18,300
Rate	7.4%	8.1%	10.7%		

1/ Estimates of persons by place of residence.

NEW MEXICO

ESTIMATED NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT (JOBS)

(Prepared in cooperation with the U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics)

	Prelim APR 1984	Revised MAR 1984	Revised APR 1983	Change From APR MAR 1984	Change From APR 1983
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT 1/	493,000	489,500	472,500	+3,500	+20,500
MINING	21,400	21,500	20,200	- 100	+ 1,200
Metal Mining	4,000	4,100	3,900	- 100	+ 100
Bituminous Coal, Quarrying and Nonmetallic Mining	4,200	4,200	4,000	0	+ 200
Oil and Gas Extraction	13,200	13,200	12,300	0	+ 900
CONSTRUCTION	34,500	33,200	32,100	+1,300	+ 2,400
MANUFACTURING	34,800	34,700	33,800	+ 100	+ 1,000
Durable Goods	22,200	22,200	21,400	0	+ 800
Lumber and Wood Products	2,400	2,300	2,100	+ 100	+ 300
Elec. and Electronic Equipment	5,600	5,600	4,600	0	+ 1,000
Transportation Equipment	3,400	3,500	4,100	- 100	- 700
Other Durable Goods	10,800	10,800	10,600	0	+ 200
Nondurable Goods	12,600	12,500	12,400	+ 100	+ 200
Food and Kindred Products	3,800	3,800	3,900	0	- 100
Textiles and Apparel	2,800	2,700	2,500	+ 100	+ 300
Other Nondurable Goods	6,000	6,000	6,000	0	0
TRANSPORTATION and PUBLIC UTILITIES	29,400	29,300	29,700	+ 100	- 300
Railroad Transportation	2,400	2,400	2,300	0	+ 100
Trucking and Warehousing	5,400	5,400	5,300	0	+ 100
Other Transportation	4,400	4,300	4,100	+ 100	+ 300
Communication	7,500	7,600	8,200	- 100	- 700
Elec., Gas and Sanitary Services	9,700	9,600	9,800	+ 100	- 100
WHOLESALE and RETAIL TRADE	114,000	112,700	107,800	+1,300	+ 6,200
Wholesale Trade	21,500	21,400	21,200	+ 100	+ 300
Durable Goods	12,500	12,500	12,300	0	+ 200
Nondurable Goods	9,000	8,900	8,900	+ 100	+ 100
Retail Trade	92,500	91,300	86,600	+1,200	+ 5,900
General Merchandise Stores	10,700	10,500	9,900	+ 200	+ 800
Food Stores	13,900	13,600	12,500	+ 300	+ 1,400
Auto Dlrs and Service Stations	12,400	12,400	11,900	0	+ 500
Eating and Drinking Places	32,800	32,200	30,700	+ 600	+ 2,100
Other Retail Trade	22,700	22,600	21,600	+ 100	+ 1,100
FINANCE, INSURANCE and REAL ESTATE	23,900	23,700	23,000	+ 200	+ 900
Banking	8,400	8,300	8,100	+ 100	+ 300
Ins. Carriers, Agents and Brokers	5,500	5,500	5,400	0	+ 100
Other Finance, Ins. and Real Estate	10,000	9,900	9,500	+ 100	+ 500
SERVICES	103,200	102,600	97,600	+ 600	+ 5,600
Hotels and Other Lodging Places	10,700	10,500	10,000	+ 200	+ 700
Personal Services	5,400	5,300	5,200	+ 100	+ 200
Business Services	22,900	22,600	21,900	+ 300	+ 1,000
Health Services	25,600	25,500	24,800	+ 100	+ 800
Social Services	6,800	6,700	6,600	+ 100	+ 200
Membership Organizations	5,400	5,200	4,800	+ 200	+ 600
Other Services	26,400	26,800	24,300	- 400	+ 2,100
GOVERNMENT	131,800	131,800	128,300	0	+ 3,500
Federal	29,900	29,500	29,700	+ 400	+ 200
State 2/	45,600	46,100	43,600	- 500	+ 2,000
Local	56,300	56,200	55,000	+ 100	+ 1,300

1/ Estimates include all full-time and part-time wage and salary workers who worked or received pay during the pay period which included the 12th day of the month. Self-employed, family workers, household workers and members of the Armed Forces are excluded.

2/ Includes other state employees working in New Mexico.

ALBUQUERQUE AREA (BERNALILLO AND SANDOVAL COUNTIES)

HIGHLIGHTS

Albuquerque continued its economic recovery in April. Preliminary estimates indicated that employment grew by 3,300, while unemployment declined by 1,300. The result was an unemployment rate of 6.0% for April, the lowest rate since September 1979.

Over the year, employment in Albuquerque has increased by 15,300 and the number unemployed has decreased by 5,500. Total nonagricultural wage and salary employment in April was 206,800. The .5% increase from 205,700 in March was mostly normal springtime job additions, with the exception being in the construction industry. The building sector expanded by 400 jobs over the month, substantially more than usual for this time of year.

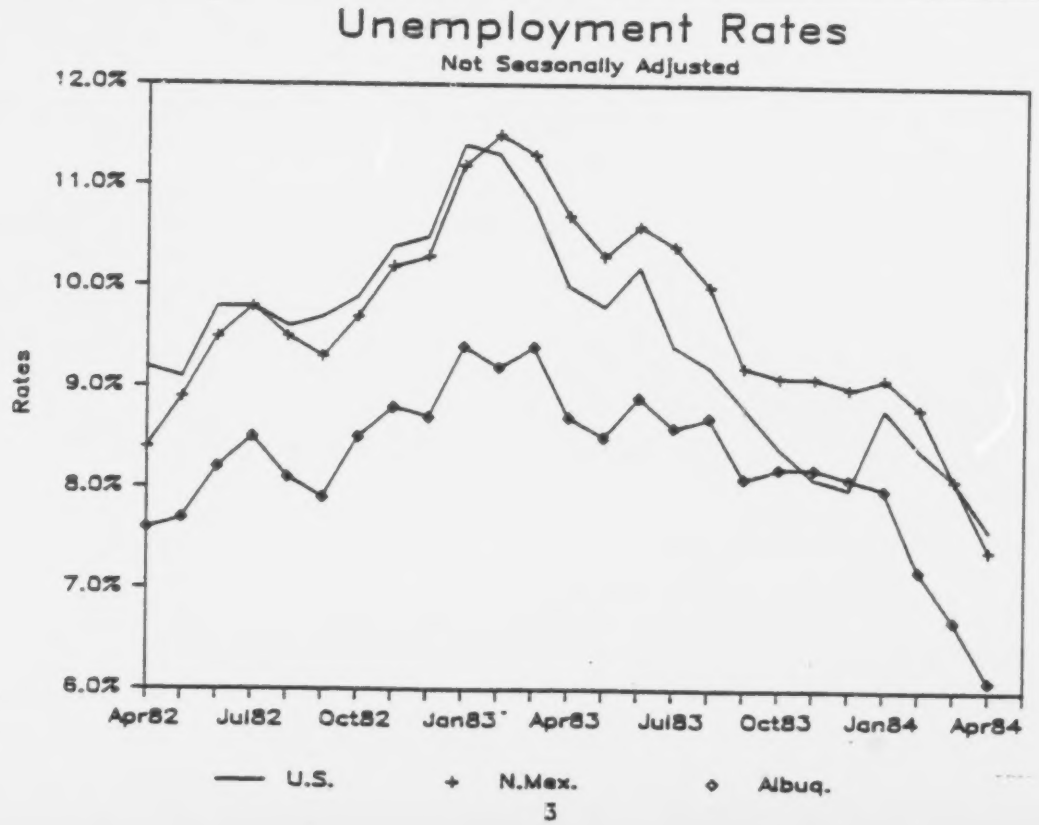
Total nonagricultural wage and salary employment rose 5.7% (+11,100) from April 1983. Transportation, communication and public utilities was down 1.7% over the year with nearly all the loss in the communication subsector (down 9.1%). This decline, largely the result of the divestiture of AT&T, should be prevalent for about a year from the divestiture which occurred on January 1, 1984. All other sectors posted gains of 4.8% or greater, with construction leading with a 12.2% increase. The majority of the construction growth was experienced in May and June of 1983 and the first four months of 1984.

Notable subsector growth over the year not disclosed in the table on page 4 include: electronic equipment manufacturing (+1,000), apparel manufacturing (+300), and business services (+900).

APRIL SUMMARY 1/

	Prel.	Revised		Change From	
	Apr. 1984	Mar. 1984	Apr. 1983	Mar. 1984	Apr. 1983
Civilian Labor Force	238,300	236,300	228,500	+2,000	+9,800
Employment	223,900	220,600	208,600	+3,300	+15,300
Unemployment	14,400	15,700	19,900	-1,300	-5,500
Rate	6.0%	6.6%	8.7%		

1/ Estimates of persons by place of residence.



ALBUQUERQUE AREA (BERNALILLO AND SANDOVAL COUNTIES)

ESTIMATED NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT (JOBS)

(Prepared in cooperation with the U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics)

	Prelim APR 1984	Revised MAR 1984	Revised APR 1983	APR Change From MAR 1984	APR Change From APR 1983
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT 1/	206,800	205,700	195,700	+1,100	+11,100
CONSTRUCTION	14,300	13,900	12,700	+ 400	+ 1,600
MANUFACTURING	19,300	19,200	18,100	+ 100	+ 1,200
Durable Goods	13,700	13,600	12,700	+ 100	+ 1,000
Nondurable Goods	5,600	5,600	5,400	0	+ 200
TRANSPORTATION and PUBLIC UTILITIES	11,800	11,900	12,000	- 100	- 200
Transportation	5,400	5,400	5,200	0	+ 200
Communication	4,000	4,100	4,400	- 100	- 400
Electric, Gas and Sanitary Services	2,400	2,400	2,400	0	0
WHOLESALE and RETAIL TRADE	51,000	50,700	48,600	+ 300	+ 2,400
Wholesale Trade	13,100	13,100	12,800	0	+ 300
Durable Goods	8,500	8,500	8,200	0	+ 300
Nondurable Goods	4,600	4,600	4,600	0	0
Retail Trade	37,900	37,600	35,800	+ 300	+ 2,100
General Merchandise Stores	4,000	4,000	3,700	0	+ 300
Food Stores	4,300	4,300	3,900	0	+ 400
Auto Dlrs and Service Stations	4,400	4,400	4,200	0	+ 200
Eating and Drinking Places	14,400	14,200	13,900	+ 200	+ 500
Other Retail Trade	10,800	10,700	10,100	+ 100	+ 700
FINANCE, INSURANCE and REAL ESTATE	12,200	12,100	11,500	+ 100	+ 700
Banking	3,200	3,200	3,000	0	+ 200
Ins Carriers, Agents and Brokers	3,400	3,400	3,300	0	+ 100
Other Finance, Ins. and Real Estate	5,600	5,500	5,200	+ 100	+ 400
SERVICES and MINING	52,900	52,600	49,600	+ 300	+ 3,300
Hotels and Other Lodging Places	3,200	3,200	3,000	0	+ 200
Health Services	12,700	12,600	11,800	+ 100	+ 900
Social Services	2,700	2,700	2,700	0	0
Membership Organizations	1,600	1,600	1,600	0	0
Other Services and Mining	32,700	32,500	30,500	+ 200	+ 2,200
GOVERNMENT	45,300	45,300	43,200	0	+ 2,100
Federal	13,200	13,200	12,600	0	+ 600
State	12,400	12,500	11,900	- 100	+ 500
Local	19,700	19,600	18,700	+ 100	+ 1,000

1/ *Estimates include all full-time and part-time wage and salary workers who worked or received pay during the pay period which included the 12th day of the month. Self-employed, family workers, household workers and members of the Armed Forces are excluded.*

LAS CRUCES AREA (DONA ANA COUNTY)

ESTIMATED NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT (JOBS)

(Prepared in cooperation with the U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics)

	Prelim APR 1984	Revised MAR 1984	Revised APR 1983	APR Change From MAR 1984	APR Change From APR 1983
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	35,225	35,150	32,475	+ 75	+2,750
CONSTRUCTION	2,525	2,400	2,125	+125	+ 400
MANUFACTURING	3,275	3,175	3,225	+100	+ 50
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	1,275	1,275	1,350	0	- 75
Transportation	575	575	575	0	0
Comm, Elec, Gas & San Service	700	700	775	0	- 75
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	6,850	6,925	5,975	- 75	+ 875
Wholesale Trade	775	750	750	+ 25	+ 25
Retail Trade	6,075	6,175	5,225	-100	+ 850
General Merchandise Stores	725	750	700	- 25	+ 25
Food Stores	975	900	750	+ 75	+ 225
Auto Dlrs & Serv Stations	800	800	750	0	+ 50
Eating & Drinking Places	2,275	2,425	1,850	-150	+ 425
Other Retail Trade	1,300	1,300	1,175	0	+ 125
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	1,375	1,350	1,250	+ 25	+ 125
SERVICES & MINING	4,750	4,700	4,450	+ 50	+ 300
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	575	550	575	+ 25	0
Business Services	675	675	675	0	0
Health Services	1,050	1,050	900	0	+ 150
Social Services	325	325	325	0	0
Other Services & Mining	2,125	2,100	1,975	+ 25	+ 150
GOVERNMENT	15,175	15,325	14,100	-150	+1,075
Federal	4,350	4,450	4,475	-100	- 125
State	6,000	6,025	4,825	- 25	+1,175
Local	4,825	4,850	4,800	- 25	+ 25

AVERAGE HOURS AND EARNINGS ESTIMATES

HOURS AND EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION, CONSTRUCTION AND NONSUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	APR 1984	MAR 1984	APR 1983	APR 1984	MAR 1984	APR 1983	APR 1984	MAR 1984	APR 1983
NEW MEXICO									
MINING	$486.17	$475.08	$461.13	43.1	42.8	40.7	$11.28	$11.10	$11.33
CONSTRUCTION	381.98	398.41	377.00	35.9	37.2	35.3	10.64	10.71	10.68
MANUFACTURING	303.03	307.71	305.78	39.0	39.4	40.5	7.77	7.81	7.55
Durable Goods	316.00	321.19	325.62	39.5	39.8	41.8	8.00	8.07	7.79
Nondurable Gds	275.12	280.91	263.20	38.0	38.8	37.6	7.24	7.24	7.00
COMM and UTIL	420.43	418.14	390.04	40.7	40.4	39.8	10.33	10.35	9.80
TRADE *	269.75	257.71	248.86	35.4	35.4	35.4	7.62	7.28	7.03
BANKING	210.79	196.63	191.58	39.4	37.1	37.2	5.35	5.30	5.15
ALBUQUERQUE									
MANUFACTURING	$292.97	$292.82	$303.64	38.6	39.2	41.2	$ 7.59	$ 7.47	$ 7.37

* *Excludes Eating and Drinking places*

Note: *Estimates include all full-time and part-time wage and salary workers who worked or received pay during the pay period which included the 12th day of the month. Self-employed, family workers, household workers and members of the Armed Forces are excluded. The average earnings are "gross" reflecting not only changes in basic hourly and incentive wage rates, but also such factors as premium pay for overtime and shift differentials. The work week information relates to the average hours for which pay was received, and is different from standard or scheduled hours due to absenteeism, labor turnover, part-time work, overtime work, etc.*

ECONOMIC ACTIVITY

STATEWIDE: New Mexico ranked fifth nationally in per-capita reciept of federal funds during fiscal year 1983. The federal government spent $5.35 billion in the state during the period, which breaks down to $3,826 per resident. The largest expenditures in the state were for federal procurement; direct payments to individuals for Social Security, medicare, food stamps, etc.; federal salaries;and grants to state and local governments. Virginia was first in the nation in per-capita federal spending; followed by Alaska, Maryland and Hawaii.

ALBUQUERQUE AREA: Dawn Company of Dallas, Texas has begun construction of the $11.6 million Mountain Run Shopping Center. The center, located at Eubank and Juan Tabo Blvds. N.E., will have 145,200 square feet of shopping space. The University of New Mexico will be receiving state capitol outlay funds of $1.46 million for equipment for the medical center and about $7.7 million to enlarge the Anderson School of Business. Martinez Custom Trailers plans to expand its current building on Pan American Freeway NE by 24,000 square feet. The company employs 40 people and plans to employ about 70 by the end of 1985. Statistics from the U.S. Department of Labor indicate that Kirtland Air Force Base has a workforce of over 19,000 people, making it the largest employer in New Mexico. Also, an estimated 38,000 jobs were needed in the Albuquerque area to supply goods and services to the Base in 1983. The annual Design Automation Conference will be held at the Albuquerque Convention Center from June 23 to June 28. The conference will bring in 3,000 to 4,000 people and an expected $4 to $5 million to the city's economy. All exhibit space at the Convention Center has been booked, as well as about 3,500 of the city's first-class hotel rooms. Forest Products Inc. has reduced its employment from about 100 to 25 people. A new 31,700 square-foot Lutheran high school complex is under construction. The complex, located on Carmel NE, is expected to be completed by August 1. Texas Inn, a new chain of motor inns, will begin construction of a new 115-room, $2 million facility this summer. The new inn will be located at Yale Boulevard and Renard Place SW.

ALAMOGORDO/RUIDOSO AREA: A 60-unit Super 8 Motel is being built in Alamogordo by C.C. Housing Corporation. Ruidoso Downs Race Track opened on May 18 for its 1984 horse racing season. Approximately 400 persons are employed by Ruidoso Downs during the racing schedule.

CARLSBAD/ARTESIA AREA: Department of Energy officials estimate that approximately $76 million in construction-related contracts will be awarded this year for the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) near Carlsbad. The largest upcoming contract is for an estimated $30-40 million waste handling structure, which is expected to be awarded in late May or early June. Other large contracts include $14 million for underground development, $6 million for site utilities, and $5 million for an exhaust filter building. The largest project currently underway at WIPP is $10 million in experimental mining and shaft construction by Obayashi Gunn. WIPP is expected to be completed by late 1986. The new 79 room Pecos Inn in Artesia is scheduled to open in early June. The Soil Conservation Service has awarded a $5.9 million contract to Tricon-Kent Inc. of Castle Rock, Colorado for construction of Phase II of the Cottonwood Walnut dam near Artesia. Work is expected to begin on the 1.5 mile earthen dam this June.

CLOVIS/PORTALES AREA: Cannon Air Force Base employed approximately 4,000 military and 400 civilian personnel during the 1983 Fiscal Year, according to base officials. Base payroll during the period was $88 million; and the facility spent $39.5 million for materials, supplies and services. Prince Development Company of Salt Lake City wants to construct a 220,000-square-foot enclosed shopping

mall in Clovis. Work on the mall, which will contain three major department stores, could begin by mid-summer if permits and leases are obtained according to schedule.

ESPANOLA AREA: Intel Corporation is considering a cooperative training program with Northern New Mexico Community College. The cooperative program, if undertaken, would help Intel recruit electrical and chemical technicians over the next year and a half for its Rio Rancho plant expansion. The $2.4 million Jicarilla Inn in Dulce is scheduled to open on July 1. The Inn should employ about 30 workers. Continental Telephone will move its business office from Espanola to Show Low, Arizona in November. The New Mexico Federal Savings and Loan Association started construction on a new 4,000 square-foot, $500,000 branch office in Espanola. The new office is scheduled to open by the fall of 1984. Evergreen Lumber Mill laid off all but four salaried employees on May 1. The layoff is expected to last one to two months.

FARMINGTON AREA: Maverick Jack Corporation, the manufacturer of a new hydraulic pump jack, has begun operations in Farmington. The Company is perfecting a model for 10,000 foot wells before beginning full-scale production. Energy Transition Corporation of Santa Fe is conducting a feasibility study for a coal conversion project for northwest New Mexico. The project, if implemented, would cost about $770 million, employ about 3,000 in short-term construction jobs, and about 1,800 in long- term production jobs. The project involves the conversion of coal to produce liquid crude oil for refineries and a substance called "char" for use in the area's power plants. Albertson's closed its 28,000 square-foot store in Farmington in early May, resulting in the layoff of about 25 workers. Construction of the $8.3 million, 101,000 square-foot Shiprock high school is expected to start soon. The facility is scheduled for completion in July 1985.

GALLUP/GRANTS AREA: Work has started on an expansion project at the University of New Mexico's Gallup branch campus. The project is expected to cost about $4 million. Two uranium companies in the Gallup-Grants area plan summer shutdowns. Homestake Mining Company will lay off about 300 workers from May 25 to July 25, and workers at Quivira Mining's Ambrosia Lake operation will be on paid vacation from June 14 to July 9. Due to the depressed price of processed uranium, the companies use the summer shutdowns to provide facility maintenance and avoid laying off more workers permanently. The Western New Mexico Correctional Facility, a new women's prison and intake classification center near Grants, will open in August. The facility has about 200 job openings, of which about 90% are expected to be filled by Grants-area residents. The new workers are to be hired in June to prepare for the August opening.

HOBBS/LOVINGTON AREA: W.A. Jourdan Inc. was awarded a $1.5 million contract to construct a state government office building in Hobbs. Southern Union Company of Dallas, owner of the Famariss refinery at Lovington, is considering either closing the facility or upgrading the plant to produce gasoline. Southern Union has approximately $45 million invested in the refinery, which employs about 65 workers producing mostly jet aviation fuel.

LAS CRUCES AREA: New Mexico State University regents have approved a $1.8 million bid by Mesilla Valley Construction Company for construction of married student campus housing. Two major aviation equipment manufacturers, Hughes Aircraft and Boeing, are considering Las Cruces as a possible site for a military missile repair plant that would employ about 75 technicians. Hughes and Boeing jointly have a contract with the U.S. Army to build a depot-level repair plant that would serve the Army's Roland missile. A feasability study for the proposed plant is expected to be completed in about four months.

LAS VEGAS AREA: New Mexico Highlands University will receive about $1.4 million

in state capital outlay funds to replace the campus heating system. Luna Vocational Institute will receive $3 million in capital outlay funds for a new technology training facility.

LOS ALAMOS AREA: A $2.4 million repair project is under way at the Los Alamos Airport. Burns and Roe Pacific Inc., a Los Angeles architectural firm, has been selected by the the U.S. Department of Energy to design a new $10 million nuclear materials storage facility at Los Alamos National Laboratory. Mason and Hanger-Silas Mason, which handles security for Los Alamos National Laboratory, plans to hire 122 new workers by the end of the year. The company currently employs 268 people.

RATON AREA: Construction of an 80-bed nursing home could begin in early July, should a project feasibility study now underway prove to be favorable. The facility, to be located on land adjacent to Northern Colfax County Hospital in Raton, would provide an annual payroll of about $500,000.

ROSWELL AREA: Allison Chuck Products of Corona, California will locate a machine tool manufacturing plant at the Roswell Industrial Air Center which will initially employ about 15 persons. The 20,000 square-foot plant will be built by Brackeen Construction of Roswell. Retirement Ranch of Roswell, a private non-profit corporation, is planning to locate a $10 million complex of retirement apartments and nursing care facilities on a 20-acre site at Montano Avenue and 19th Street in Roswell. Construction could start on the first phase of the project; a $4.5 million, 120-bed nursing home; by this August.

SANTA FE AREA: Construction is scheduled to begin June 1 on a new 91,000 square foot shopping center at the intersection of St. Michaels Drive and Pacheco Street. The anchor store for the Plaza del Sur center will be a new Bag 'N Save grocery store. The project is expected to be completed by January 1985. The Thrifty Telephone Exchange, a discount long distance telephone service, has opened in Santa Fe. The new company will employ about 20 people. The Solana Shopping Center is planning a 25,000 square-foot expansion to accomodate a branch bank, and retail/office space. the Journal Publishing Company of Albuquerque will build a 4,000-square-foot office building for its Santa Fe staff at Galisteo and Montezuma streets. Construction is expected to begin within a year. Long Lac Mineral Exploration Inc., of Navada, has applied for permits to explore for gold in the old Ortiz mining district between Madrid and Golden.

SILVER CITY AREA: The new solvent extraction electrowinning plant at the Tyrone Branch of Phelps Dodge Corporation is now in operation employing approximately 25 persons. The new facility produces copper at about one-half the cost of more conventional methods.

SOCORRO/BELEN: State capital outlay funds of about $2.9 million will go to construct a permanent campus for the University of New Mexico's Valencia branch.

TUCUMCARI AREA: R.M. Evetts Construction is building a 105-unit Discovery Inn in Tucumcari.

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U.S. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

April 1984 CPI-U 308.8 (Base 1967=100)
CPI-W 304.1

CPI-U - All Urban Consumers

CPI-W - Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers

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OFFICIAL LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES

	PRELIMINARY APRIL 1984 1/				REVISED MARCH 1984 1/				REVISED APRIL 1983 1/			
	Labor Force	Empl.	Unemp.	Rate	Labor Force	Empl.	Unemp.	Rate	Labor Force	Empl.	Unemp.	Rate
STATEWIDE	617,935	571,918	46,017	7.4%	612,266	562,484	49,782	8.1%	601,544	537,283	64,261	10.7%
ALBUQUERQUE AREA 2/	238,296	223,862	14,434	6.1%	236,342	220,618	15,724	6.7%	228,475	208,579	19,896	8.7%
LAS CRUCES MSA 3/	43,319	40,387	2,932	6.8%	42,907	39,660	3,247	7.6%	39,481	35,616	3,865	9.8%
Catron	974	821	153	15.7%	876	694	182	20.8%	971	796	175	18.0%
Chaves	24,715	23,245	1,470	5.9%	24,007	22,481	1,526	6.4%	24,287	22,286	2,001	8.2%
Cibola	11,556	10,217	1,339	11.6%	11,449	9,945	1,504	13.1%	11,966	9,288	2,678	22.4%
Colfax	6,576	5,821	755	11.5%	6,763	5,889	874	12.9%	6,656	5,419	1,237	18.6%
Curry	15,202	14,261	941	6.2%	15,065	14,020	1,045	6.9%	15,353	13,911	1,442	9.4%
De Baca	1,045	956	89	8.5%	980	913	67	6.8%	984	901	83	8.4%
Eddy	23,792	21,597	2,195	9.2%	23,515	21,172	2,343	10.0%	24,249	20,928	3,321	13.7%
Grant	9,727	8,649	1,078	11.1%	9,616	8,413	1,203	12.5%	10,451	7,990	2,461	23.5%
Guadalupe	1,484	1,375	109	7.3%	1,452	1,332	120	8.3%	1,415	1,321	94	6.6%
Harding	563	538	25	4.4%	552	528	24	4.3%	502	481	21	4.2%
Hidalgo	2,421	2,271	150	6.2%	2,322	2,200	122	5.3%	2,473	2,225	248	10.0%
Lea	31,403	29,907	1,496	4.8%	31,277	29,772	1,505	4.8%	32,317	29,766	2,551	7.9%
Lincoln	7,608	7,293	315	4.1%	7,418	7,051	367	4.9%	7,242	6,938	304	4.2%
Los Alamos	11,238	11,073	165	1.5%	11,033	10,856	177	1.6%	10,565	10,355	210	2.0%
Luna	4,958	4,358	600	12.1%	4,863	4,245	618	12.7%	4,958	4,292	666	13.4%
McKinley	17,611	15,843	1,768	10.0%	17,542	15,670	1,872	10.7%	18,173	14,916	3,257	17.9%
Mora	1,049	721	328	31.3%	1,153	714	439	38.1%	1,116	720	396	35.5%
Otero	15,053	14,007	1,046	6.9%	14,754	13,616	1,138	7.7%	14,948	13,598	1,350	9.0%
Quay	5,127	4,710	417	8.1%	5,084	4,590	494	9.7%	5,142	4,541	601	11.7%
Rio Arriba	12,090	9,854	2,236	18.5%	12,186	9,708	2,478	20.3%	11,942	9,272	2,670	22.4%
Roosevelt	7,878	7,585	293	3.7%	7,675	7,327	348	4.5%	7,873	7,428	445	5.7%
San Juan	37,547	32,920	4,627	12.3%	37,344	32,286	5,058	13.5%	37,567	31,708	5,859	15.6%
San Miguel	9,030	7,960	1,070	11.8%	8,955	7,779	1,176	13.1%	8,673	7,522	1,151	13.3%
Santa Fe	42,816	40,670	2,146	5.0%	42,434	40,005	2,429	5.7%	40,383	37,616	2,767	6.9%
Sierra	2,544	2,435	109	4.3%	2,422	2,338	84	3.5%	2,584	2,400	184	7.1%
Socorro	5,099	4,674	425	8.3%	5,019	4,595	424	8.4%	4,835	4,407	428	8.9%
Taos	11,085	9,056	2,029	18.3%	11,339	9,554	1,785	15.7%	10,742	8,523	2,219	20.7%
Torrance	2,233	2,058	175	7.8%	2,186	2,002	184	8.4%	2,225	2,079	146	6.6%
Union	2,613	2,473	140	5.4%	2,625	2,464	161	6.1%	2,237	2,079	158	7.1%
Valencia	11,283	10,321	962	8.5%	11,111	10,047	1,064	9.6%	10,759	9,382	1,377	12.8%

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